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E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC, DM
SUBJECT: EMBASSY SECURITY

FOLLOWING SENT ACTION SECSTATE WASHDC INFO ABIDJAN FROM COTONOU JUNE 8 REPEATED

QUOTE
COTONOU 0830

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ABIDJAN FOR T/ SO

1. FOLLOWING FEBRUARY 28 INCIDENTS AND KHARTOUM TRAGEDY, I SPOKE WITH INTERIOR MINISTER CAPTAIN MICHEL AIKPE ABOUT PROBLEM OF INSTANT COMMUNICATION BETWEEN EMBASSY AND HIS SECURITY HEADQUARTERS, POINTING OUT THAT TELEPHONIC EFFORTS ON FEBRUARY 28 WERE COMPLETELY UNSUCCESSFUL. HE SAID THAT IN ADDITION TO PATROLS PASSING BY EMBASSIES, WHICH UNFORTUNATELY WOULD NOT BE FREQUENT ENOUGH, IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO INSTALL DIRECT LINE FROM EMBASSY TO SURETE NATIONALE WHERE AUTOMATIC
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ALARM WOULD RING WHEN ACTIVATED BY EMBASSY.

2. AIKPE' S RESOURCES ARE NIL. IN INTEREST OF EMBASSY SECURITY,
OF GESTURE TOWARDS OTHER NINE RESIDENT EMBASSIES, AND OF MODEST
EFFORT TO IMPROVE SECURITY MEASURES OF INTERIOR MINISTRY,
RECOMMEND
AIR SHIPMENT MULTIPLE UNIT ALARM SYSTEM.

3. T/ SO ABIDJAN RECOMMENDS THAT WE LEASE JUMPERED " HOT LINE"
FROM LOCAL PTT DIRECT FROM EMBASSY TO SURETE FOR ALARM SYSTEM.
UNFORTUNATELY, TELEPHONE SERVICE EXTREMELY UNRELIABLE (TELEPHONES
IN FIVE EMBASSY HOMES NOT FUNCTIONING AT MOMENT), AND IT ALWAYS
FAILS DURING AN EMERGENCY. THEREFORE, ALARM MUST BE INDEPENDENT
OF PTT, PREFERABLY RADIO CONTROLLED.
ANDERSON UNQUOTE PORTER

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